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CC:

Secretary of the Senate 232 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, D.C. 20510

Re: Friends of Hillary - 2001 Year End FEC Report

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing on behalf of Priends of Hillary in response to a notification from John D. Gibson of the Federal Election Commission that the Secretary of the Senate has not received a copy of the committee's 2001 Year-End Report.

Friends of Hillary filed the 2001 Year-End Report in a timely manner. A copy of the U.S. Postal Service Certified Mail Receipt to the Office of Public Records, Secretary of the Senate, 232 Senate Hart Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20510 dated January 31, 2002 is attached for your records. A report sent by certified mail shall be considered filed on the date of the U.S. post mark. 11 C.F.R. §104.5(e). The 2001 Year-End Report was due on January 31, 2002 and Friends of Hillary sent it be certified mail with a U.S. post mark of January 31, 2002, therefore, the report was filed in a timely manner. A copy of the first four pages of the Friends of Hillary report are also attached for your records.

We understand that a delay may have occurred as a result of the new mail handling. procedures recently established for packages sent to the U.S. Senate office huildings. In the event that the Secretary of the Senate does not receive the mailed report shortly, Friends of Hillary can forward a copy of the original report to your office upon request.

If you have any questions regarding this matter please contact me at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

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John D. Gibson, Federal Election Commission Harold Ickes, Treasurer